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CURRENT TOPICS.

SENATOR INGALIS is a fine Greek scholar. They have struck white coal at Eureka, Kan.

The cottage renting season is brisk at Cape May.

It is said about 30,000 type writers are sold yearly.

OLIVE oil is being made of California mustard seed.

Mr. GLADSTONE sleeps in a small uncarpeted room.

Lotta wears sixteen pairs of shoes in one of her plays.

PEAL and silver whistles, for calling one's dog, are for sale.

EDISON says he would give all his fame to recover his hearing.

A CONTRACT is about to be let for a \$100,000 cathedral at Chattanooga.

A TIGER weighing 280 pounds can carry off a horse weighing 1,050 pounds.

The Sultan of Morocco has purchased six canons from the Krupp's for \$200,000.

The custom of ladies to carry walking sticks is one more becoming fashionable.

A St. Louis burglar stayed so long in a house to eat maple syrup that he was caught.

SENATOR DAVIS, of Minnesota, has lost the sight in his left eye from neuralgic affection.

BOSS BONHEUR now says about searching for studies in a cutaway coat and trousers.

It is said that over 10,000 American pianos have been shipped to Russia in the last ten years.

The now twenty-dollar silver certificates will bear a likeness of the late ex-Secretary Manning.

ICE still remains in Massena Lake, N. H., and many neighboring hill roads are blocked with snow.

The Northwestern railroad will at once begin the construction at Sioux City of a depot, to cost \$125,000.

A SPANISH priest recently inherited \$30,000 and gave it to the Vatican in exchange for a plenary indulgence.

A MAN in Connecticut, who built a fancy barn, stole eight tombstones from a graveyard to build his manors.

A STRANGE new disease is killing many Texas cattle. Their throats swell, and death by choking soon follows.

PHOSPHATE beds twelve feet in thickness have been discovered on lands in the Alligator Creek (Fla.) vicinity.

GENERAL HANCOCK's grave is in a secluded corner of the cemetery at Norristown, Pa., and is unmarked by slab or tomb.

The now twenty-dollar silver certificates are said to be very handsome. A great many people will undoubtedly want them.

A CORRESPONDENT says this is the year for seventeen-year locusts, and that they are due about May 23, and not later than June 1.

A CINCINNATI saloon-keeper, arrested for keeping open on Sunday, left his false teeth to secure his appearance next morning.

ANTON RUBINSTEIN, the pianist, has accepted an offer of \$20,000 for fifty performances in the United States during the coming season.

GOVERNOR WATERMAN, of California, will not permit paid attorneys to appear before him in the interests of those seeking pardons.

It is rather too late to make a fuss about it, but it is said Henry Clay was in the Senate at the age of 22, contrary to the constitution.

GEORGE HANCOCK, the American historian, and Von Moitke, the German warrior, were both born in the last year of the last century.

The latest style in "pants" with the New York swells is called "Raining in London." The bottoms are artistically turned up and stitched in place.

The monkeys are so thick in the State of Tobacco that it is almost impossible to build a telegraph line. They all get on the wire and swing until it breaks.

It is said that some clothes box packers can pack 72,000 a day. They are paid one cent for packing a box of four gross. At this rate they make \$5 a day.

A NEW YORK broker made \$42,000 in two days. He put \$50,000 into it to make \$150,000 in three days, and lost the entire sum in six hours' time of the market.

GOVERNOR GORDON, of Georgia, has commuted a murderer's sentence on the ground that he was not intelligent enough to appreciate the enormity of his crime.

The train robber has removed to Mexico and the climate seems to have impaired his powers. It took thirteen of his to stop a train, but five men and secured \$100.

For the past two months the railroad accidents in this country have averaged one for every five days, and two-thirds of them have been the result of carelessness.

Mr. FULLER, nominated for Chief-Judge, has eight daughters old enough to go into society. Eight society girls can knock a whole in the biggest sort of a coat.

Two St. Louis men have spent forty-eight dollars in a lawsuit over the ownership of a duck worth twenty-five cents, and are anxious to have the decision of an upper court.

The St. James' Gazette says that the settlement of the dispute between the United States and Morocco was due to Prince Bismarck's sending a private commission to the Sultan.

RULERS in the old world come high. The Kingdom of Prussia pays Leopold \$1,250,000 per annum; and the Emperor Francis Joseph, of Austria, has a yearly allowance of \$3,750,000.

Some men have organized in New York a house-cleaning corporation, and announced that for a small expense they will re-lace the housekeeper and all the domestic, an annoyance and dirt of the spring cleaning.

The French Government is about to build an absolutely unsinkable man-of-war. This will be accomplished by the use of cellulose amorphous, a product of coconuts fiber, so elastic that if pierced the holes close of itself.

TRACHOMA was performed on a London car horse. The operation proved successful, and the animal is again at work, giving as good service as when in the best of health.

GENERAL BOUANGER has a large and constant correspondence with America, and receives regularly a number of the leading newspapers of principal cities of the United States.

A CHICAGO burglar overlooked \$10 in a bureau car horse. The police announced it the next morning. He returned the next night and not only secured it, but a suit of clothes besides.

KENTUCKY DEMOCRATS

Hold Their State Convention at Lexington,

And Picks Out Their Delegates to the National Convention at St. Louis.

LEXINGTON, Ky., May 16.—The Kentucky State Democratic Convention met at the Opera House in this city to-day for the purpose of appointing delegates to the National Convention at St. Louis.

The convention was called to order by Judge D. E. Johnson, State Central Committee chairman, the exercises began with prayer by Rev. Dr. Bartlett, of the First Presbyterian Church.

Judge Sharp then addressed the convention, reviewing the history of the struggles of the Democratic party for success, its final triumph, and the commanding leadership of President Cleveland.

Colonel P. Johnson, of Louisville, was chosen temporary chairman, James E. Stone temporary secretary, with Clarence Egbert, R. J. Mahoney, and Harry Glenn assistants.

The following committees were then announced:

On Permanent Organization—Mat. Walton, Chas. R. Long, Jake Corbett, H. P. Wilson, E. M. McRae, W. E. Johnson, W. B. Haldeman, E. G. McRae, W. H. Alcorn, G. W. Clegg, J. S. Walcott, H. F. Day and A. M. Adams.

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Convention then adjourned till 4 o'clock.

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THURSDAY, MAY 24th, 1888.

Announcement.

We are authorized to announce A. L. Shannon as a candidate for Sheriff of Lawrence county, subject to the action of the Democratic Convention.

Emperor Frederick is much improved in health.

The Kentucky Homeopathic Association was in session at Frankfort last week.

The Booth-Barrett season closed last week, with net profits of about \$60,000 to divide between them.

The Louisiana Democratic Legislative caucus renominated Gen. Gibson for United States Senator.

The flood in the Upper Mississippi last week reached a point higher than at any time since 1814.

The Louisville post-office has just been transferred from Republican to Democratic hands. Better late than never.

Three hundred kegs of powder exploded at Stockton, N. Y., last week—the country was shocked for twenty miles around.

The Exposition building at Louisville was sold last week at public sale for a little over seven thousand dollars. The glass in the building cost \$30,000.

Gov. Buckner has appointed as Railroad Commissioners, Hon. I. A. Spalding, of Union county, Judge Fleming, of Louisville, and Hon. John F. Hager, of Ashland.

Joseph R. Anderson was nominated on Wednesday of last week by the Tennessee Prohibitionists as their candidate for Governor, and died on the following Friday.

Mr. Russell, of Massachusetts, himself a wool-grower, gave some striking reasons in the House last week why the tariff on wool should be abolished, as proposed by the Mills Bill.

The Legislative Committee to investigate the Tate affair has made its report, which shows the total deficit to be \$247,028.50. Auditor Hewitt's office was also subjected to a very rigid examination, but nothing wrong was found.

The young men are being called into active service. The new Chairman of the State Democratic Committee, both of the electors for the State at-large and one of the four delegates from the State at-large are under forty years of age.

The Frankfort Capital will print an extra edition of the laws, public and private, passed by the Legislature, for sale to persons not authorized to receive them free. The price of the public acts in pamphlet form is \$1, and the Public and Private acts, in the usual form, \$5 for the set.

The Alabama Republican Convention, which met last week, had a monkey and parrot time of it between its Blainians and Sharmanites, two rival chairmen, both colored, sitting beside each other, and attempting to preside over the hubbub, one of whom used an ax handle as a gavel.

The United Labor Convention has nominated Mr. Robert H. Cowdry, of Chicago, for President, and Mr. W. H. T. Wakefield, of Kansas, for Vice President. The Union Labor party also put a national ticket in the field, made up of A. J. Stearer, of Illinois, for President, and C. E. Cunningham, of Arkansas, for Vice President.

The debate in Congress on the Mills Tariff Bill closed last Saturday with speeches by Messrs. Reed, Carlisle and Mills. The speech of Mr. Carlisle is pronounced the greatest ever made on the subject, and he is receiving telegrams and letters of congratulation in large numbers. His audience went almost wild over the brilliant effort. It is estimated that a million copies of the speech will be subscribed for by members of Congress, Government officials and tariff-reform clubs.

On each day of last week a Kentuckian made a speech in Congress in favor of the Mills Tariff Bill, and two of the speeches are pronounced the greatest of all which have been delivered on the subject. But this is not out of the usual order of things.

The striking features of the Democratic State Convention held in New York city last week were: first, the complete harmony that prevailed; second, the unanimity and heartiness with which President Cleveland and his policy were indorsed.

Messrs. Allison, Aldrich, Hiscock, Beck and Harris, of the Senate Committee on Finance, have been appointed by the Chairman of that committee as the sub-committee to make inquiries and take testimony on questions of tariff and revenue. This is the beginning of the Republican plan in the Senate to delay and confuse the issue of tariff reform, should it be forced on that body by the passage of the Mills Bill in the House.—*Courier-Journal*.

Ohio Democrats held their State Convention on Wednesday of last week, and adopted an unqualified endorsement, an approval of the Mills Bill and a request of the Democratic members of Congress from that State to vote for it. The Convention demanded a reduction of the surplus "by a reduction of taxation, and not by extravagant and corrupting appropriations," and pronounced in favor of repealing altogether duties on the products of those industries which combine into "trusts."

The New York Star says of Mr. Carlisle's plan of debate: "The Democratic Speaker delights in the appeal to reason based on the rock of principle, and rising pier on tier with increasing grace of illustration until the symmetry of his completed address delights the imagination as fully as the solidity and force of his premises attract the reason of his auditors."

An important item of news comes from South America. The Brazilian Senate has concurred in a bill passed by the Chamber of Deputies for the abolition of slavery, which immediately liberates more than 600,000 slaves. The dying Emperor, Dom Pedro, wished that his reign might witness the extinction of slavery in his dominions. Cuba and Porto Rico are now the only territories in the new world in which slavery is tolerated.—*Capital*.

Bitter Bread.

Complaint is frequently made by those who use baking powders that they leave in bread, biscuit, or cake raised by them a disagreeable, bitter taste. This taste follows the use of all impure baking powders, and is caused either by their containing alum (introduced to make a cheap article), by the impure and adulterated character of other ingredients used, or from the ignorance of their manufacturers of the proper methods of combining them. These baking powders leave in the bread a residuum formed of lime, earth, alum, or other deleterious matters, not always, though frequently, tastable in food, and by all physicians classed as injurious to health. The Royal Baking Powder is free from this serious defect. In its use no residuum is left, and the loaf raised by it is always light, sweet and wholesome, and noticeably free from the peculiar taste complained of. The reason of this is because it is composed of nothing but absolutely pure materials, scientifically combined in exactly the proper proportions of acid and alkali to act upon and destroy each other, while producing the largest amount of raising power. We are justified in this assertion from the unqualified statements made by the Government chemists, who after thorough and exhaustive tests recommended the "Royal" for Governmental use because of its superiority over all others in purity, strength and wholesomeness. There is no danger of bitter bread or biscuit where it alone is used.

The Hon. Betsy Ann Lockwood was nominated for President last week by the National Equal Rights Convention, in session at Des Moines, defeating Hon. Lizzie Cady Stanton, the Hon. Susie B. Anthony and the Hon. James G. Blaine. She will sail into the campaign on a platform favoring women suffrage; pensions for all needy soldiers and sailors; protective tariff, with free sugar and lumber; the repeal of the tax on whisky and tobacco, and against unrestricted immigration.—*Courier-Journal*.

A Gift for All.

In order to give all a chance to test it thus he convinced its wonderful curative powers, Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, will be, for a limited time, given away. This offer is not so liberal, as it shows unbounded faith in the merits of his great remedy. All who suffer from Consumption, Asthma, Bronchitis, or any affection of Throat, Chest or Lungs, especially requested to call at R. F. Vinson Cigar Store, and general Bottling Works, Large Bottles \$1.

AN Sufficient.

Agent—On what grounds do you claim a pension?

Applicant—Grandfather lost his health in the war of 1812, and left an impaired constitution to the family.—*Ex.*

DOWN with any Throat or Lung Disease. If you have a Cough or Cold, or the children are threatened with Croup or Whooping Cough, use Acker's English Remedy and prevent further trouble. It is a positive cure, and we guarantee it. Price 10 and 50c. R. F. Vinson, Druggist.

News for Youth.
Mrs. Phebe Chesley, Peterson, Cay Co., has a remarkable story to tell, the truth of which is vouched for by the residents of the town: I am 75 years old, have been troubled with kidney and heart trouble for many years; could not dress myself without help. Now I am free from all pain and soreness, and am able to do all my own housework. I owe my thanks to Electric Bitters for having renewed my youth, and recovered completely all disease and pain.

Try a bottle, only 50c. at R. F. Vinson Drug Store.

The State Convention.

[*Courier-Journal*]
The Kentucky Democrats held their State convention at Lexington yesterday, (May 16th), their spirit being harmonious on all matters of importance. They disposed of the business before them promptly, organizing with Col. E. Polk Johnson, as temporary Chairman. A permanent organization was effected, with Senator J. C. S. Blackburn as presiding officer. The balloting for four delegates from the State at large to the National Convention at St. Louis resulted in the election of Messrs. Watterson, McKenzie, Harris, and Hendrick. Messrs. John S. Rhea and Claude M. Thomas were chosen electors for the State-at-large, and Mr. Mitchell Alford Chairman of the State Central Committee. Speeches were made by Messrs. Sharp, Blackburn, Lindsay, McKenzie, Harris, Watterson and Gov. Buckner. The platform is short, clear and pointed, earnestly indorsing the administrations of President Cleveland and Gov. Buckner; instructing the delegates to St. Louis to vote as a unit for the President's re-nomination; deprecating sectional agitation and condemning the efforts of the Republicans to inflame the old war passions; and approving the Mills Bill. The tariff plank is as follows: "They regard all exactions from the people, under the guise of taxation, beyond what may be necessary to defray the legitimate expenses of the Government, honest and economically administered, as legalized robbery; and the settled policy of the Republican party to subsidize special industries by unjust and oppressive bounties levied mainly upon the necessities of life meets with their determined condemnation."

The Convention adopted the following platform.

The Democrats of Kentucky, reaffirming their allegiance to the principles embodied in previous party platforms, State and National, do especially declare:

First—Their unqualified confidence in the administration of Grover Cleveland, President of the United States, and their unflagging devotion to the doctrines laid down in his last annual message to Congress; and they instruct their delegates to the National Democratic Convention to vote as a unit for his renomination.

Second—They regard all exactions from the people, under the guise of taxation, beyond what may be necessary to defray the legitimate expenses of the Government, honestly and economically administered, as legalized robbery; and the settled policy of the Republican party to subsidize special industries by unjust and oppressive bounties levied mainly upon the necessities of life meets with their determined condemnation.

Third—They implore the proposal of the Ways and Means Committee, known as the Mills Bill, as a fair, conservative and practical measure of revenue reform, and applaud the course of their Representatives in Congress in giving it a unanimous and hearty support.

Fourth—They deprecate sectional agitation, and denounce the efforts of the Republican party to destroy the autonomy of the several States and concentrate all political power in a centralized Government, by their repeated interferences with State elections, and other invasions of their reserved rights, to renew factional strife among the people, and to rend a large portion of the Union to the corrupt methods of the era of reconstruction.

Fifth—They cordially endorse the administration of Gov. Buckner's equitableness, patriotic and statesmanlike, and worthy of the commendation and confidence of the people.

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